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## **VIA ECF**

Hon. Patricia Tolliver Giles Albert V. Bryan U.S. Courthouse 401 Courthouse Square Alexandria, VA 22314

Re: Acer, Inc. v. Volkswagen, AG and Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., Civil

Action No.: 21-cv-01390

Dear Judge Giles:

We write on behalf of Defendant Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. ("VWGoA") regarding Plaintiff Acer, Inc.'s rejected service on Volkswagen AG.

Although Plaintiff filed an affidavit of service (Dkt. 7) representing that Volkswagen AG has been served via VWGoA's registered agent, Corporation Service Company ("CSC"), CSC actually rejected service. *See* Attachment A. CSC is not a registered agent for Volkswagen AG, and pursuant to VWGoA corporate policy, VWGoA cannot accept service for Volkswagen AG—which is a separate and distinct foreign corporate entity located in Germany.

Thus, it is our understanding that Volkswagen AG has not yet been served, which must occur via the Hague Convention. Indeed, Plaintiff has filed a revised summons for Volkswagen AG. *See* Dkt. 11. We request that the January 7, 2022 response date be removed from the docket (Dkt. 7).

Respectfully, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on January 6, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served using the Court's CM/ECF system, with electronic notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

/s/ Daniel E. Yonan

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